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## LECTURER URGES HELP FOR BRITIAN

DESCRIBES SITUATION  
IN TODAY'S EUROPE

"If Britain falls the United States falls, for Britian is our first line of defense!" With these words, uttered in somewhat ominous tones, H. R. Knickerbocker, famed journalist, ended his lecture last Friday before Joplin Town Hall patrons and students of the high school and college, who were special guests.

Mr. Knickerbocker, whose red hair and flashing blue eyes partially hidden behind horn-rimmed spectacles add color to his lecture as well as his personality, spoke on the subject, *The Changing Map of Europe*. Although his speech was rather pro-British, he knew about what he was talking, especially since past experiences have shown him to be always at the right places at the right times—for a successful journalist at least.

Many times he quoted Prime Minister Winston Churchill whom he seemed to admire greatly and whom he deemed the most important man in the world today. This might seem a slight on Herr Hitler especially after Mr. Knickerbocker stated that the Fuehrer is not in the habit of making such mistakes as allowing the rearmament program of the United States to stand in his way in his march toward world domination; and "It takes Churchill to describe Hitler." This after reading a short speech of Churchill's in which he made some rather disparaging remarks concerning the "Napoleon of Germany."

According to Mr. Knickerbocker we do literally "owe our present security and liberty to a band of young men—the members of the Royal Air Force." While in London only a few months ago, "Knick" found the best way to overcome that feeling of "I can't take another minute of it," was to visit the R.A.F. It is this group of men that has successfully staved off Hitler's invasion of Britain. Take for example Handlebar Hank (so called because of his mustaches). Handlebar flew a bomber over Germany and instead of bombing his objective from the 10,000 foot altitude as ordered, he realized he had a better chance of making a direct hit at 2,000 feet—so down he flew. When he finally came back to England in the chill hours of dawn there was a large hole on

## ORCHESTRA, CHORUS APPEAR IN CONCERT

The music department of Joplin Junior College displayed an outstanding variety of talent in its initial concert presented last Thursday under the direction of T. Frank Coulter. The program, given in the college auditorium, was enthusiastically received by a near capacity audience of music-lovers.

The first group of numbers offered by the orchestra, which was augmented with alumni and high school musicians, included "Coronation March from the Prophet" (Meyerbeer), followed by two movements, the "Andante Cantabile" and the "Finale from Symphony No. V" (Tchaikowsky). "The Celebrated Waltz" (Moszkowski) and "Rondo Capriccioso" concluded this group.

The Meistersingers, accompanied by David Butcher, presented three ballads, "Beautiful Dreamer" (Foster), "Desert Song" (Romberg), and "Indian Love Call" (Friml). The Meistersingers and orchestra then combined as the orchestra accompanied the chorus in "Turn Back O Man" (Holst), "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" (Holst) and Wheelwright's arrangement of "Go Down Moses."

The program was concluded with a stirring interpretation of the overture to "The Barber of Seville" (Rossini) by the orchestra.

## STUDENTS ASKED TO FILL XMAS BARREL

By this time you have probably seen the barrel that has been placed in the main hall by the Salvation Army. This barrel was placed there to receive your donations toward Christmas baskets for the needy.

If you have not contributed yet please do so before 3:30. When you go home, raid the pantry and help give those less fortunate than yourselves a happy Christmas.

the underneath side of his plane in addition to a broken gas line. Still Handlebar crisply reported to his superior that he had flown at 10,000 feet as ordered.

Perhaps the thing that will remain longest in the minds of Mr. Knickerbocker's audience is his statement that today it's just plain, common sense to say—"Give me LIBERTY or give me DEATH."

## FRIDAY 13 IS LUCKY

Today is a red-letter day! The Chart's out, it's the last day of school before Christmas, and it's Bumpy's birthday. How so much good fortune happened on Friday the thirteenth is beyond us.

P. S. Bumpy (Hildred Bebee to you) won't tell us her age, so we can't pass it on to you.

## Christmas Program Marks Last Assembly

With appropriate music to add a setting and enhance the mood of his story, Dr. Paul Stevick of the college faculty, brought a brief but inspiring Christmas message to the assembly Wednesday. According to Dr. Stevick, "America has the opportunity of spreading the good will brought by The Prince of Peace 1940 years ago."

Prior to Dr. Stevick's address the dramatics club presented three selections in group verse. The selections were: A Christmas Folk Song by Lizette Woodworth Reese, Merry Christmas, Nearly Everybody, taken from Ogden Nash's *I Am A Stranger Here Myself*, and Kwismas In the Big House by courtesy of Ed Hollman. Those giving these readings were: Mary Knight, Betty Rowton, Lola Potter, Lorraine Cole, Nora Bauer, Pat Lacy, Ed Hollman, Luffen Pflug, Jack Holdon, Bob Lankford, Jay Fussel and Roy Lee Daniels.

The student body proved themselves equals of the Meistersingers by vocalizing on these carols, "Joy to the World," "Silent Night," and "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

## VACATION IS TWO WEEKS

Friday the 13th may be bad luck for some, but not for J.J.C. students. Those broad smiles you see around school today are the result of the Xmas vacation. From today till Monday, December 30, J.J.C. faculty and students will have a merry holiday.

The first semester ends January 17 with registration beginning that day. This will probably cause semester exams to fall the second week after vacation ends.

"Would some power  
The giffie gie us  
Tae see ourselves as  
Davis sees us!"

## JOPLIN LIONS TRIM VISITORS

J.J.C. SHADES BEARS IN  
SECOND HALF RALLY

Bounding back from a first-half drubbing the Green and Gold hoopers, paced by Charlie Green, came out of their lethargy in time to take out a 33-32 victory over Jefferson City JuCo quintet, Wednesday night December 11. The first half featured exhibitions of deadly set shots by an eagle eyed Jeff City duo, namely Woods, rangy guard, and Latiner, the Bear's star center. Woods stunned J.J.C. followers by dumping in three straight baskets from outside the free-throw line just before the first half gun.

During the second half Green, ably supported by Oglesby and Masters, began pouring in the points from all sides, and pulled up to a 27-29 score with two minutes remaining to play. But the Bears came back with another basket and proceeded to stall for time. However, odds breaking the green clad boys' way, they converted a "Capitol City" traveling penalty and tied up the score when Charlie Green tossed in two charity tosses.

Again Joplin's hopes fell as the visitors made another free throw to lead again. With the final seconds ticking off Bob Masters intercepted the ball and sewed up the game as the whistle blared.

J.J.C. players and points:

Green, 20; Rowland, 2; Oglesby, 7; Masters, 4; Warren, 1; Pearcy; Enos; Attebury; Hance and Weygandt.

## College Gets New Custodian

R. Tindell, who has lived in and around Joplin for the past twenty-five years, is the new custodian in J.J.C. He comes to the college from the high school where he had worked since last January. When asked how he liked the college he replied, "Swell!"

The editors of the Chart staff take this opportunity to thank Bettie McCaleb, Marian Hazell and Gaylon Enos who helped with the typing for this issue.

Note: THIS IS JUST ONE WAY SOME PEOPLE SHOW THEIR COOPERATION.



# Mewwy Kwismas, J.J.C.!





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## You College Students Must Love Yourself

We on the Chart staff feel that a sad state of affairs exists in a school when the students think so little of themselves that they refuse to cooperate for their own benefit! That is exactly what J.J.C. students have done. This may sound rather complicated, but here's the long and short of it all.

Last issue the Chart printed a questionnaire in this column, and 365 students out of 378 enrolled refused to cooperate to the extent of answering the questionnaire, which would have taken only a second to fill out.

For the benefit of those who did respond we have printed the results.

It seems from the questionnaire you students believe that dancing is a necessary part of school life, but that school dances and parties be non-date gatherings. Lack of attendance at the all-school gatherings is due to lack of acquaintances among the students although it is agreed that the social organizations do their best to help promote interest. An all-school skate party (which, by the way, was successfully carried out by the Trojans), a hayride, a picnic, etc. were all suggested. All students were willing to cooperate for the betterment of school spirit, while you expressed the belief that a vote of thanks should be extended to the Student Senate for the improvements they have made.

Your suggestions for improvement ranged from the establishment of a date bureau to giving more attention to lessons.

During the holidays why don't the rest of you 365 students resolve to do your part by giving your heartiest support to the various school activities. In that manner you will be starting the new year off with a bang.

Thankful to live in this land  
As yet untouched by war.  
They say, "God bless America",  
They say, "Thank God I am an American",  
They say these things  
And I say them, too  $\frac{1}{2}$   
Thank God I live in this land  
And others live in other places.  
Thank God they are bombed  
And not I.  
Thank God they are homeless  
And not I.  
Thank God they are slaves  
And not I.  
I will thank God for that.

—Raymond Kelly.

## The Washline

### Coed's Prayer

Please bring me a new fur coat,  
An ermine, mink or sable;  
But if this seems too much to ask,  
Bring Taylor, Power, or Gable.  
Ah Men!

Dear Santa,

Please bring me the new issue of  
Joe Miller's Joke Book.

Mac

Dear Mac,

Sorry but Dick Rudolph has already asked for my only copy.

Santa

To the coeds, for broken hearts—  
a dose of Epperson salts.

B. Warren, H. McColgin and J. Filler, our alchemists, have found the elixir of happiness in the Fountain of Youth.

Mrs. Gideon's little boy thinks M. Hazell is the nutz.

When Bib Wolfe returns for the holidays, everything will be all Wight. (Nelle)

Those arrangements (?) of Stephen Foster melodies that have emanated at infrequent intervals from the Band were made by Mr. Dale.

Band members say that he has an unfair advantage in that he can inflict the stuff at will. OK!

### The Carthage Situation

The Mills are running full speed, and the Corders of the high school are full of Masters of learning bucking their heads against the Wall of Knowledge and 'Evan only knows they're Hartley and happy. But in Webb City, the Smart ones are having a Herroder time, just like Duncan a firecracker in water. Fuzzel.

In order to realize the strain of producing Missouri Legend, the producer went to see Tobacco Road.

Pun-Play—To Widder Weeks.  
"How have you been feeling?—all week?"

Our contribution to English Literature—

"Diddle, Diddle, Dumpling,  
My son John.  
Went to bed with his stockings on.  
One shoe off and one shoe on,  
Boy, was he looped!"

Rumor has it that Dale C. drolled on one of the cast in a hot scene of "Mo. Legend." Result: Nickname of Juicy James.

Impatience—Those two little flowers J. Harsh and L. Cragin can't wait till spring to blossom out.

Lorraine Coal (pardon, Cole) is throwing fuel into J. Harchiss' tender heart to keep that spark alive.

Van Dyke's protoges have capitulated. (Ed and Bill)

Current duel for the hand of a fair maiden: Bob Lankford vs. Jay Fuzzell. The prize: Miss Patty Lacey.

### Our Wish

May the germ of contentment build its nest in the pit of your dimple.

## Across the Back Fence

No doubt about it our Jessee James is a hard-ridin, hard-shootin, rootin-tootin son of a gun, but take it from the boys who officiated at the Trojan initiation, he can't hold his chewin' terbaccer.

Biggest event of the week, whether it comes off or not, is Dick Rudolph's burial in plaster—almost. When last heard from, Artist Rudolph and co-worker Charlotte Dahnke were planning to immortalize Rudolph's phiz in said plaster. Here's how it works: After greasing it liberally, Rudolph's face is entirely covered with plaster except for a couple of pop straws sticking out of his nose (that's how he breathes). The plaster hardens, it is detached from Rudolph's face, and you have a perfect likeness of him, in reverse. You pour plaster of a different color in the reverse likeness, it hardens, the reverse image is knocked off, and behold! Rudolph's pan, plastered.

Speaking of that, you haven't lived, kid, unless you've seen Dave Butcher's clay Ubangi head, or Bob Cumming's southward view of a north-bound lion.

Half the class claim it was intentional, the other half firmly maintain that she heard it as a joke, but didn't know it was a joke. Anyway we swear it really happened: Every once in a while the shorthand class comes across some words in the lesson that definitely don't belong in the "500 most commonly used words" class, and Miss Steininger always calls for a volunteer to explain the word to his (or her) more benighted companions. The other day the class came across the word "paradox," and Miss Steininger promptly asked if there was anyone in the class who could explain the word. For a minute it looked as if there wouldn't be any volunteers, and then, triumphantly, up rose the hand of Vicki Evans. Eagerly the class waited for the words that would dispel the murky fog hovering around the word. Then, confidently, serenely, Miss Evans spoke.

"Two ducks in a box," she said. Whodunnit of the week: It's ancient history, but interesting history. Maybe even the great Holmes himself couldn't tell us why, after the home-coming parade:

The Sphinx float  
The Music Department float  
The K.S.T.C. band  
The J.J.C. band  
were singing "Where Was I?"

Moo said the Cow,  
Baa said the Sheep,  
Sssst said the snake,  
Jeep said the Jeep.  
Aha! Said McReynolds  
With a snort and a cough,  
Passed said Rowton  
Flunked said Rudolph.



## Charting 'Em

by Cohen and Hollman

Post Mortem a' la Rugby:

Now that the last whistle has blown and the last bone-crushing thud of a tackle has stopped re-echoing across the cleated turf, a few things stand out in bold relief in the pages of J.J.C. gridiron history. Bill Warren's two thrilling pass interceptions and resultant touch-down gallops . . . Eldorado's flashily uniformed outfit . . . Coffeyville's power and deception.

The fateful "ifs": if the Joplin player who snagged two Springfield passes had been a Robinson or one of the other green-jerseyed speedsters, or if Joplin's offense had only come to life a little sooner in the Independence game.

Who can remember Corder's uniform clean; or seeing Moore, Calhoun, or King trot on the field or the booming tackle Carlisle crunched on a luckless Independence back and not become broad minded?

Gaylon Enos was a Ban Johnson League star for Pittsburg last summer and the idol of the Coal town's feminine fans—so we're told.

The smell of resin should be making some of the Golden Glover's noses wrinkle these days with the annual back-busters' outing headed this way. Dave Remillard was one of the best in the biz last year. Will J.J.C. have any "white hope" this year?

Best bets to see plenty of action among the freshmen basketballers this year are Don Attebury and Bud Weygandt.

### THE MODERN HIAWATHA

He killed the noble Mudjokivis.  
Of the skin he made him mittens,  
Made them with the fur side inside,  
Made them with the skin side outside.

He, to get the warm side inside,  
Put the inside skin side outside;  
He, to get the cold side outside,  
Put the warm side fur side inside.  
That's why he put the fur side inside,

Why he put the skin side outside,  
Why he turned them inside outside.

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## BASKETBALL OUTLOOK PROVES OPTIMISTIC

An optimistic outlook prevails as the Green and Gold prepare for the coming cage grind with four lettermen back and promising new bloods to draw from, Coach Collins is assured of at least seven or eight front-line men good for use in placing a well balanced quintet on the floor.

Gaylon Enos and Charley Green, hipper dippers deluxe, can be counted on to provide a show by merely staging a fancy passing and dribbling exhibition. Percy's height and Rowland's experience will give the Lion's a potent five able to stack up with the best. Collins will probably use either of two veterans Bill Warren and Bill Gideon or one of the likely-looking freshmen to round out the first five; this will leave several others with an excellent chance of seeing more than a little action.

Among the frosh' standouts are: Don Attebury, Joplin High's captain last year, who knows his way around the boards having started his cage career at North Junior. He may come close to filling the roomy shoes vacated by Fred Crouch last year. Bud Weygandt was Attebury's teammate last year. Bud is at his best under the basket for he thrives when the going is roughest. Jack Adams, captained his team in Grand Coulee Dam, Washington last year. He is a deadly long-shot artist and slick ball handler. May not see much action this year. Euger Hance from Monett kept the Cubs in the Big Eight Conference race last year, which they ultimately won.

### COHEN TO ACT AS EDITOR

Jerry Cohen, sports editor of the Chart, will act as editor-in-chief of the first January issue of the paper.

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## BASKETBALL

### HOME GAME SCHEDULE

|                |             |
|----------------|-------------|
| Jefferson City | December 11 |
| Fort Scott     | January 2   |
| Chanute        | January 10  |
| Bolivar        | January 17  |
| Monett         | January 21  |
| Coffeyville    | February 7  |
| Independence   | February 26 |

## HARCHAS BECOMES GRIDIRON CAPTAIN

The Golden Lions elected Junior Harchas to captain the 1941 J.J.C. grid aggregation. Harchas one of the vital cogs in this year's machine, was known to many of the Lion's football followers as the boy with the "yaller helmet." Harchas' play kept the castoff headgear in the fan's eye most of the season as it was continually bobbing up after a ten or fifteen yard jaunt through an opposing line or as it brought the opponents mail carriers to a teeth-rattling halt.

The 165 pound freshman has all the attributes needed to sparkplug the 1941 team to victory and looms as one of the shining lights in J.J.C. gridiron history.

### Ode To A Code

I ab writing ad ode to a code,  
Since I'b lying id bed,  
Wid a code in by head,  
And by dose is carrying a load.  
I ab writing ad ode to a code,  
Berry Christmas  
and  
Habby Dew Year

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## Crossroads Engages In Newspaper Work

To acquaint students with its work and the advertisers who make it possible, and especially to furnish the editorial staff with something to do in this rather slack season, the Crossroads has devised a system known as the "Live Wire." This means of communication is published weekly on the upstairs bulletin board.

Maxine Edmondson, editor-in-chief, and Herbert McCoglin, business manager, both of whom are prominent members of the sophomore class, are literally "working their fingers to the bone" to get the "dummy" of the annual whipped into shape and paid for in the shortest time possible. Aiding these two wheels of industry are their respective staffs.

Members of Miss Edmondson's editorial staff are Lola Potter, Lorraine White, Vivian Smith, Margie Welcher, Louine Scott, Dee Baker, Martha Moses, Patty Lacy, and David Butcher.

The business staff under McCoglin includes Arrel Gibson, Gaylon Enos, Myron McIntosh, Glenda Muhlenburg, Elroy Thomas, Bob Busby, Verna Richards, Noel Breeden, Kenton Slankard, Shirley Collons, Tom McClintock, Herman Schulte, V. A. Leverett, and Wade Martin.

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## Let's Get It!

'Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house not a creature was stirring, not even a louse . . . they'd all gone to see Missouri Legend and from what they tell me it must have been quite a play. Dale Cearnal certainly did himself proud as Jesse James and Mary 'liz Knight was rightly knighted as Zee. Bob Lankford, we believe, stole the show with his portrayal of Billie Gashade, the young poet who, honest as he was, believed Jesse James a hero. Betty Rowton upheld the old tradition as Widow Weeks. Roy Lee Daniel did a mean job of shottin there at the end, and with his brother, Jack Holden, played the Ford boys to perfection. Aunt Belle, or Lorraine Cole did a swell job, not only stealing horses, but also the scenes she was in. Ed Hollman that new fellow from Texas, drawled out in his Texan way the part of Frank, and quite pert too. Leffen Pflug did a bit of scene stealin' himself when there wasn't a bank to rob. Others in the cast were Al Stewart, Hansel Thomas, Lloyd Issacs, Frank Cline and Richard Snyder.

It seems that as usual most of the theatre audience was shocked last week, when they saw Tobacco Road. However, I think there's a lot to it, if you realize that there are actually families like the Lesters in the world today. Of course it is a bit risque, but we overlooked those scenes . . . Since the beginning of Tobacco Road, there have been 5 Jeeter Lesters, 60 tons of dirt, 60,000 turnips, 4,000 gal of water to keep the Lesters clean, 800 ft. of lumber to brace the Lester shack, 3 sets of tattered costumes, 7 new and dented fenders succumbing to old age and 24 tennis balls.

Joplin seemed to be blest this last week with plays . . . the most important was Jayne Haughawout in

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## J. H. S. STUDENTS IN PASSION PLAY

Advanced casees of stage fever are ramant in Joplin High School where several students are appearing in the Passion Play. After three days of it these students have found the experience of mingling with those romantic figures of their dream world, real flesh-and-blood actors, a novel one.

Each day they are thrilled anew by the splendid performances of their favorites, Josef Meier, who portrays the Christ; Clare Hume Meier, Mary, "the Mother"; and Leland Stanford Harris, who plays Judas.

Beautiful lighting effects and appropriate settings added to the excellent acting make "The Last Supper" the most impressive scene; while to the students back stage, as to most everyone, the Crucifixion scene is the most realistic.

With the final performance tonight the curtain will not only fall on one of the best plays that has ever come to Joplin but also on the careers of many hopeful, young Thespians.

Pygmalion—as far as your reporter's concerned, Jane was Pygmalion.

Andy Hardy and family appeared at the high school last week in "Skidding."

The Passion Play is playing all this week at Memorial Hall, with Josef Meier in the leading roll of the Christ.

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Now we sort of like you and you are a good looking lot, you boys of J.J.C., but . . .

Although we would hardly wish to see each J.J.C. boy parading down the hall with his copy of "Emily Post" tucked under his arm, still it would be a nice idea if you peeked into Emily Post's book once in awhile . . . it might give you ideas; and if you have no copy of your own it is possible to check the book out at the Public Library.

As for Sir Walter Raleigh's throwing of his coat across a mud puddle it was no doubt a beautiful gesture . . . we give a sigh for the ways of yesteryear . . . but be assured, the girls of J.J.C. expect no such chivalrous action; yet a little more gallantry on your part would be appreciated.

It has been hinted from reliable sources that you college boys are a "stand-offish" group. Gee boys, come off your pedestals and be friends; the girls won't bite. Why not adopt as your motto—

"No blooming flower  
Against the wall,  
Shall ever pine  
Because I stall."

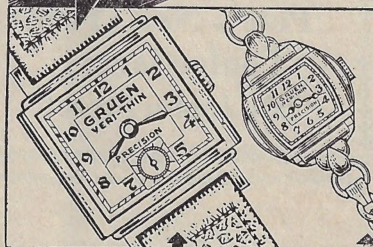
And remember, too, "Handsome is as handsome does."

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## Feminine Debaters Triumph Over Boys

J.J.C. debaters Marian Maring and Nora Lee Bauer composed one of the four teams receiving certificates of excellence at the junior college debate tournament at Winfield, Kansas, November 28 and 29. They received a perfect score, winning over teams from Arkansas, City, Bolivar, Parsons, and Muskogee.

The boy's team composed of Sam Wallace and Elroy Thomas won debates from Chadron, Nebraska and Arkansas City, and lost to Muskogee and St. John's Lutheran College of Winfield. Over thirty colleges of Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Nebraska competed in the tournament.

A week earlier the girls team won five out of five debates at the K.S.T.C. practice tournament.

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## Library Buys Books To Meet Standards

In order to meet the standards of the Northwestern Association of Colleges and Universities in regard to libraries, the Joplin Junior College library has purchased more than 60 new books.

These volumes, which arrived this week, include Max Eastman's "The Enjoyment of Laughter"; Emily Post's 1940 edition of "Etiquette"; "Propaganda", by L. W. Doob; and "A World History of Art", by Sheldon Cheney.

Volumes of history, English, German, Latin, and French literature, chemistry, philosophy, psychology, biology, botany, music, climatology and meteorology, economics, and mathematics are also included in this latest addition to the rapidly growing library.

## "Y" Conducts Open-House

During the past two weeks the college Y.W.C.A. has observed open-house in an effort to stimulate interest in the organization. Programs for these two weeks, consisting of a demonstration of dolls from various countries by Mrs. J. E. Springer and a Christmas reading, were under the supervision of Marjorie Wommack.

Sunday, December 22, at nine o'clock all Y.W. and Y.M. members will meet at the Y.W.C.A. home to go Christmas caroling. The group will carol at the homes of faculty members.

## FRIENDLY SORT OF CHAP

How doth the little crocodile  
Improve his shining tail,  
And pour the waters of the Nile  
On every golden scale!  
How cheerfully he seems to grin,  
How neatly spreads his claws,  
And welcomes little fishes in,  
With gently smiling jaws!

—Lewis Carroll

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## FLOWERS ARE SOURCE OF XMAS LEGENDS

Christmas legends originated in many different ways and from many sources. For instance, here are three which have to do with flowers:

The hellebore, or Christmas rose, down to the time of Queen Elizabeth was said to cure melancholy, and the Germans, who connected it with Huldah, the marriage goddess, later gave to it the name Christmas rose.

The story of its birth is this: On the night when heaven sang to the shepherds of Bethlehem, a little girl followed her brothers, the keepers of the flocks, under guidance of the light. When she saw the wise men gathered at the inn, offering vessels of gold and fabrics of silk to the child and its mother, she hung timidly back on the edge of the crowd, and was sad because her hands were empty; because the look in the face of the babe had filled her with admiration and wonder, and she wished to testify her love. She had no goods, no money to buy them, so after a little she turned away toward the silent hills. But when she had gone back to her flocks, at the border of the desert, under the lonely stars, a light suddenly shone about her, and behold, one of the announcing angels—a glorious creature whose robe was like molten silver, whose locks were as the sun. "Little one, why do you carry sorrow in your heart?" he asked.

"Because I could carry no joy to the child of Bethlehem," she answered.

With a smile the spirit waved a

lily that he carried, and suddenly the ground was white with Christmas roses. The girl knelt with a joyous cry, filled her arms with the flowers, and hastened to the village, where the people made way for her, looking with wonder on the burden she bore that winter night. As she reached the manger the holy one, turning from the gems and gold of the magi, reached forth his tiny hands for the blossoms, and smiled as the shepherdess heaped them at his feet.

The little flower we call Star of Bethlehem, whose bulb is roasted and eaten by orientals, is part of that very light which shone in the heavens at the birth of Christ: for after it had led the wise men and shepherds to the manger it burst, like a meteor, scattering acres of flowers about the fields. It was as if it had been drawn from the glorious company of the skies by the great glory of the Babe. Joseph, going out at dawn, gathered handfuls of these blossoms from the wintry earth, and, pouring them into the lap of Mary, said, "See the star in the east has fallen and borne fruit in kind."

The chrysanthemum, which is said to have been born at the same time

as the babe of Bethlehem, was the token of the wise men that they had reached the spot whither the star had bidden them; for, searching along the narrow ways of the village toward the fall of night, these rulers of tribes and expounders of doctrine wondered greatly what should be disclosed to them. There was no excitement among the people, to denote a strange event; there were no welcoming sounds of music, dancing, or the feast; all was silent and gloomy, when at a word from King Malcher, the caravan stood still. "It is the place," he cried, "for look! Here is a flower, rayed like the star that has guided us, and which is even now hanging above our heads."

Malcher bent and picked the chrysanthemum, and the pilgrims entered the stable where he placed it in the hand extended to receive it—the hand of a little, new-born baby.

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## Trojans Give Their Pledges "Hell Week"

A much delayed "Hell Week" beginning November 28, ended abruptly last Wednesday night when the Trojan pledges formally joined that august body of gentlemen known as members of the Trojan fraternity.

During the former period of bliss (???) the pledges could be seen strolling through the halls with buckets containing an old shoe, a brick, and a fresh egg. (What a sensation to have an egg smashed in one's pocket!) Soon they were seen wearing overalls, and Mr. Robert Roland Busby has just about decided to continue wearing them after a certain charming person told him he looked "adorable" in them.

Memories of grade-school apple-polishing days returned (although after a Psychology course certain pledges realized the futility of it all) when each pledge presented each of his teachers a nice, red, shiny apple. (Blush! Blush! Pledge Stewart.)

Albert Stewart, Bob Busby, Jim Randall, John Martin, Roy Lee Daniel, Dale Cearnal, Bob Masters, and Jim Oglesby can now tell you Shoal Creek did not have warm running water.

### For the Botanical Baby

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## DRAMATICS CLUB WINS PRIZE

The Dramatics Club entry in the float parade won the prize of \$10.00. The winning float depicted a scene from Missouri Legend.

Other organizations entering floats were Tri Beta, Alpha Kappa Mu, Sphinx, Trojans, YM and YWC A, football team and the Music Department.

### Welcome Back, Arrel

"Well, look who's here! Excuse me please. I see an old friend of mine." These verbal expressions, or something similar, have been flying through the air thick and fast these last few days as various J.J.C. students see a familiar figure walking down the hall.

His return marked the renewal of those deep discussions of philosophy, logic, psychology, economics, etc. Well, anyhow we're glad you're back, Arrel.

All ads for this issue of the Chart were sold by one person—Bob Schink who is business manager. We take our hats off to you Bob for your good work!

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## BETA PLEDGES WORK

Tri-Beta pledges have decided they must be about the "Working-est group" in the school. During this week they have conducted a pastry sale, a sale of J.J.C. Lions and are planning a candy sale for tomorrow.

The reason for all this industry is an important something known as initiation which will not be forthcoming until a certain amount of pecunia is earned.

### To Hold Alumni Dinner

All former Beta Beta Beta members will be honored at a Tri-Beta alumnae dinner at Roberts Cafeteria, December 26. Pledges of the sorority will present the program.

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## FORMER J.J.C. STUDENT REMEMBERS Y.W.C.A.

Ann Rigway, former J.J.C. student now living in Miami, Florida, recently sent the Y.W.C.A. two dollars to be used for the Christmas baskets. Ann, who is now working as a book-keeper, was active on the Service Committee of the Y.W.C.A. last year; so truly realizes the joy of sharing with others.

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